The group considered Jisc’s proposed principles and parameters for cost distribution and UK institutions. There was agreement for a well thought out read parameter being used for cost allocation. Usage should not be used unless there was a contractual cost for institutions on this. Publication may be relevant but needs to be tested.

The group provided some cautions in the approach to cost allocation and it was noted that any new model is likely to produce significant change as it would move away from disparity in the existing model.

The group were updated on the Springer Nature negotiations and provided feedback on the approach that Jisc should take on behalf of the sector.

The group considered a proposal from Sage and agreed to reject the proposal.

The group considered the strategic priorities for both the content negotiation strategy group and the sector. The group supported the strategy and the principles behind the strategy. These will be reflected in the work of each of the strategic groups including this group. The group provided some feedback in relation to the strategy and principles and also on the planned critical review of transitional agreements.